Mr. Jenkins Clerk

Admiralty Office 10th Augt. 1804

Sir

My Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty having been pleased on the 30th Sept. last to order the discharge of J. W. Stalker an Apprentice from the Princess of Orange and it appearing by a Petition from John Priest, his Master that he is now on board the Lively; I have their Lordships Commands to signify their direction to you, to discharge this Apprentice upon his Masters sendg for him, giving him a Certificate that it was done by their Lordships Order and for what reason.

Capt. Hamond Lively, Woolwich.

Signd John Barrow

Victualling Office 16 Augt 1804

Sir

We have received your Letter of the 15th instant, and in answer acquaint you that we have ordered the Provisions and Casks therein mentioned to be sent from Deptford to His Majs. Ship Lively under your Command agreeable to your Desire

We are Sir
your most obedt. Servts.

Signd John Marsh. G. P. Towry, Fras. Stephens

Capt. G. E. Hamond
Lively, Woolwich

Navy Office 17th Augt. 1804

Sir

We have received your Letter of yesterday and acquaint you we have ordered the usual Supply of Printed Forms for twelve Months to be sent to His Majesty's Ship under your Command as soon as possible.

We are Sir
Your affectionate Friends

Signed J. Henslow. H. Harwood. B. Markham

Capt. Hamond
Lively
Woolwich

Admiralty Office 24 Augt. 1804

Sir/

I am commanded by my Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty to signify their direction to you to transmit to me a List of the Names of the Commission and Warrant Officers who have joined the Ship you command —

I am
Sir
your &c — Wm. Marsden

Captn. Hamond, Lively Woolwich

Admty Office 25th Augt. 1804

Sir/

I have the Commands of my Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty to acquaint you, in reply to your Letter of the 23rd. instt.: that on your application to the Port Admiral on your arrival at the Nore, you will be furnished with the Signal Books and Instructions therein requested.

I am &c
Sigd Wm. Marsden

Captn. Hamond H.M.S. Lively. Woolwich.

Victualling Office 27th Augt. 1804

Sir/

We have received a Letter from Mr. W. B. Felton, Purser of His Majs. Ship Lively under your Command dated the 26th inst. and in answer acquaint you that we have ordered the sundry Articles therein mentd. to be sent from Deptford to the said Ship agreeable to his desire

We are &c

Signed
John Marsh. G. P. Towry. Tas. Stephens

Captn. G. E. Hamond Lively Woolwich

Zealand at the Nore
20th August 1804

Sir

I am commanded by the Lords Comm.rs of the Admiralty to enclose you a List of such Seamen belonging to H M Ship named in the Margin (part of whom and probably the whole are to be turned over into the Vessel you command to serve as part of her Complement) who are from their Qualifications and good Conduct entitled and fit to be made Quarter Masters and other petty Officers and it is their Lordships further Directions that these Men have the preference in being rated as such when there are vacancies on board the Lively

Beschermer

I am &c Signed
B.Rowley.

Capt.n Hamond
Lively.

A List of such Men serving on board of His Majestys Ship Beschermer Capt.n W. Ballard who are not rated Petty Officers, but qualified to serve in the following Capacities

No. on S B	Mens Names.	Rated	Qualified to serve as
82	Rob.t Scringer	Ab	Quarter Masters.
149	Edw.d Baily	Ab	Quarter Masters.
307	Rob.t Greaves	Ships Corp.l	Quarter Masters.
309	Dav.d Addison	Ab	Quarter Masters.
204	W.m Wright	2.d Gunn.r	
319	W.m Hale	Ab	Gunners Mates.
331	Mark Phillips Ab	Ab	Gunners Mates.
158	John Chambers	Ab	Gunners Mates.
316	Ja.s Paine	Ab	Yeoman of the Powder Room
344	W.m Haw	Ab	Carpenters Mates or Caulkers.
296	Tho.s Jenkins	Carp.rs Crew	Carpenters Mates or Caulkers.
81	Ja.s Ridley	2.d Gunn.r	2.d Mas.r
225	Ja.s Browne	Arm.r Mate	Armourer
205	Arthur Young	Corp.l	Master at Arms

Sign.d

W Ballard Capt.n

Victualling Office 28 Augt. 1804

Sir

We have received your Letter of the 27 inst. and, in answer, acquaint you that we have ordered the Provisions therein mentioned to be sent from Deptford to H.M.Ship Lively under your Command agreeable to your desire

We are &c

Captn.
G. Hammond Lively
Woolwich

G.R. Towry. R.G. Moody. W Boscawen

Admiralty Office 4th Sepr 1804

Sir

Mr Erving, the American Consul, having applied to my Lords Comm^rs of the Admiralty for the Discharge of Fred^k Roads said to be an American and on board the Lively. I have their Lordships Commands to signify their Direction to you, to report to me, for their Information, a state of this Man's Case and to transmit at the same time any Documents he may have to produce to prove his Citizenship.

I am
Sign'd &c John Barrow

Captn. Hammond
Lively Woolwich

Admiralty Office 6th Sepr. 1804

Sir

Having communicated to my Lords Comm^rs of the Admiralty the enclosed Application & Indenture, from T. Ferguson requesting the Discharge of Geo. Robt Kealy - App^ce who has been Impressed and taken on board the Lively, I have their Lordships Commands to signify their direction to you to report to me for their Information a State of this Man's Case return^g the Inclosure with your Report to

Sir &c - J Barrow

Captn. Hammond Lively
Woolwich

Victuall^g Office 6th Sept. 1804

Sir.

We have to acknowledge the receipt of your Letter of the 5th Inst.^t & to acquaint you in Reply, that we have ordered your Proportion of Tongues which were put on Warrant the 23^d past, to be sent to Gravesend, agreeably to your Request.

We are &c

Capt. Hamond
Lively Woolwich.

John Marsh. G Towry. S Stephens. Jno Harrison

H M S Lively at the Nore
Septr 10th 1804.

Sir.

There being no Necessaries for the use of the Sick on board His Maj.^s Ship under your Command. I have to request that you will be pleased to demand the Customary Allowance for three Months. I have the Honor to remain

&c R Dobson. Surgeon.

Captn Hamond
Lively.

Navy Office 21st Septr 1804.

Sir

We have received your Letter of the 17th Inst.^t & acquaint you we have caused the allotment of Duncan McGowan (his Wife being dead) to be stopped Payment, that of Minor Smith to be transferred to the Latona, & the remainder to the Zealand.

We are &c

Capt. Hamond
Lively Dover.

H Duncan. J Henslow. J Markham

Adm^ty Office 20th Oct. 1804.

Sir.

I have received & laid before my Lords Comm^rs of the Adm^ty your Letter of the 19th Inst.^t transmitting for their Lordships information, the several Inclosures therein referred to.

I am &c

W. Marsden.

Capt. Hamond
Lively Spithead.

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Ville de Paris off Ushant
October 28th 1804

Sir

I have this day received your two Letters dated the 17th Instant, with the several Papers thereinmentioned, giving me the particulars of the detention of the Spanish Frigates, by the Indefatigable Lively. Medusa, & Amphion, and making known to me your arrival at Spithead with the Fama. I am glad you have succeeded in the Service you was sent upon, accounts of which I received from Captn Moore on the 20 Instant.

G.E. Hamond Esq
Captain of H.M.Ship
Lively.

I am &ca
W. Cornwallis

Navy Office 24th Oct. 1804.

Sir.

We have received your Letter of the 23d instant, & acquaint you We have directed Portsmouth Officers to supply His Majs Ship Lively under your Command with a Cistern Pump as you request. We are &c

Capt. Hamond
Lively. Spithead.

H. Duncan. W. Rule. F.J. Hartwell

Admty Office 27th Oct. 1804

Sir.

My Lords Commrs of the Admty having appointed Thomas Scott, to be Boatswain of the Ship you Command. I am directed by their Lordships to acquaint you therewith.

Capt. Hamond
Lively Spithead.

I am &c.
W. Marsden.

Navy Office 27th Oct. 1804.

Sir

I am directed by the Commissioners of His Majs Navy, to acknowledge the receipt of your Letter of the 23d instt with the List, & Triplicates of Allotment of Mr Treikey & also to acquaint you the allotments of Jn Porter, Robt Cooper (Run) & Wm Cousins (Dead) are Stopped payment as desired

I am &c R. A. Nelson.

Capt. Hamond
Lively Spithead

Navy Office 5 Nov. 1804.

Sir.

I am directed by the Commrs of H.M. Navy to acknowledge the receipt of your Letter of the 30th ulto. with the List & Triplicates of Allotments thereinmentioned

I am &c R. A. Nelson.

Captn Hamond
Lively Spithead

Portsmouth Yard 7 Nov. 1804.

Sir

I am requested by Sir Chas Saxton to inform you, the undermentioned particulars are Shipped on board the Glory for your Ship in Charge of the Boatswain & Carpenter Vizt.

For the Boatswain

Paint Yellow.	32 lbs.
Oil Linseed	2 Gallons.
Rundlets of 4 Gns	One No.
2 "	One "

For the Carpenter

Paint White	52 lbs
Yellow	26 "
Oil	Nine & ½ Gallons.
Brushes	Seven No.
Rundlets of 12 Gns	One
10 "	One
6 "	One

which being signified for your Information

I am &c W. Gilbert

Navy Office 13th Novr 1804.

Sir

We have received your Letter of the 5th instt. & acquaint you We have caused the Allotment of Wm Ash (dischd Unserble) tobe stopped Payment.

We are &c.

Captn Hamond
Lively Spithead. H Duncan. Wm Rule H Legge.

H.M Ship Agamemnon at Sea
Novr 21st 1804.

Sir.

Pursuant to an Order from Sir Jno Orde Bart. Vice Admiral of the Red & Commr in Chief of a Squadron of His Maj Ships & Vessels employed on a particular Service &c. &c. &c. I herewith send you two Copies of such Memorandums, which you are required by him to observe the directions therein Contained, & as there are several Signals & Instructions given out which may be of Service on your joining the Squadron. I have therefore sent you a Copy from my Order Book.

I am &c. Jno Harvey.

Captn Hamond
Lively.

H.M Ship Ruby off Cadiz
December 5th 1804.

Sir.

Pursuant to the Orders of Vice Adml Sir Jno Orde Bart. I herewith enclose you a Copy of an Order addressed to the Commander of any Ship of War, belonging to Lord Nelson's Squadron, which you may meet Cruizing without the Streights of Gibralter, which I have to request you will deliver taking a proper Receipt for the same.

I am &c. C Rowley.

Captn Hammond
Lively.

On bd H.M Ship Lively. at Sea
Sir. Decemr. 13 1804.

There being several Patients on board His Majs Ship under your Command for whom Portable Soup may be Serviceable, I have to request that you will be pleased to order the Purser to supply me with such Quantities thereof, as I may from time to time judge necessary for their recovery.

Captn Hamond I am &c H Dobson. Surgeon.
Lively.

Copy of a Letter from Lord Robt Fitzgerald to James Gambier Esqr. His British Majs Consul, General

Friday Morng 21st Decr. 1804.

Dear Gambier. If it should be the Interest of the Merchants to be apprized without delay of the State of Things in Spain. you may inform them, on authority from me that War has been publickly declared there against us & a very violent Manifesto issued on the Subject of it at that Court. I have just now sent to Mr Chamberlayne to desire that the Packet may be prepared to sail without delay, Sunday Morng I hope at latest. Sincerely yours.

James Gambier Esqr (Signed) R. S. Fitz=gerald.
&c. &c.

His Majs Ship Egyptienne
Sir. Lisbon Harbor 23d Decr. 1804

I have the Honour to enclose for your Information an Extract of a Letter which I have received from His Excellency. The Right Honble Lord Robert S Fitzgerald &c. &c &c.

Captn Hamond I have the Honor to be
Lively. &c. C Fleming.

Extract of a Letter from His Excellency, the Right Honble Lord Robert S Fitzgerald, His Majs Envoy Extraordinary, & Plenipotentiary to the Court of Portugal, dated Lisboa the 21st Decr 1804 to the Honble Charles Fleming Captain of His Majs Ship Egyptienne, & Senior Officer of His Majs Ships in the River Tagus

"I have the Honor to inform you that I have this day received Official Intimation of War having been declared in Spain against His Majesty."

(True Copy) C Fleming

His Majs Ship Lively 30 Decr 1804

Sir

On Examining the Breadroom of His Majs Ship under your Command, a quantity of Bread has been found damaged, in Consequence of a Leak, & as it is in a State unfit for Men to eat, being rotten, & Mouldy, tis a Nuisance in the Ship. I am to request you will be pleased to order a Survey to be held thereon I have the Honor to be &c. Wm Felton Purser

Captn Hamond
Lively.

His Majs Ship Lively
Decr 24. 1804.

Sir

I beg permission to Suggest to you, that a present Supply of Vegetables & Fruit, will very seasonably Contribute to the Preservation of the Health of the Company of His Majs Ship under your Command I have the Honor to be
&c R Dobson Surgeon

G E Hamond Esqr

Mr. Jenkins

Navy Office 4th Apl. 1805.

Sir,

We have received your Letter of the 12th February last enclosing a Voucher for Stores purchased for the Use of HMS. Lively under your Command therein mentioned and acquaint you the Bill for the same is paid and desire you in future Vouchers of a similar Nature to have a Certificate from the Merchants of the exchange at which the total Amount is reduced into Sterling.

We are Sir,
Your affectionate Friends,
WMarsh. J Gambier & H Legge.

Captn. Hammond
Lively —

Royal Wm. at Spithead 14 Apl. 1805

Sir,

I have made a very strict and particular enquiry into the Circumstances of the Mistake which you stated to me had taken place on board the Royal Wm. respecting the Signal which was made from that Ship for you to come on shore, and acquaint you that it does not appear that the Annulling Flag was hoisted either at the Platform or on board the Royal William —

I am &c.
Signed Geo. Montagu

Captn. Hammond, Lively

Transport Office 16 Apl. 1805.

Sir,

We have received your Letter of the 13th. of this Month with the Papers mentioned to be enclosed relative to the Crew of the Spanish Vessel San Miguel and a Lieutenant Colonel who was Passenger on board her whom you permitted to be landed at Lisbon and in return we have to thank you for the Communication.

We are &c.
Ambrose Serle - Thos. Hamilton. E Bouverie —

Captn. Hammond —
Lively, Spithead.

HMS. Lively at Spithead
April 21 1805.

Sir,

I have to request that you will be pleased to make application for a Survey to be held on the Gratuitous and Private Medicines on board His Majesty's Ship under your Command in order that they may be completed for foreign Service. I am &c.

Richd. Dobson
Surgeon

Lieut. Wm. Peake HMS Lively
Captn. Hammond on Leave

Victualling Office 23 Apl 1805.

Sir

We have received your Letter of the 22d inst. and in answer acquaint you that we have directed our Agent at Portsmouth to supply HMS. Lively under your Command with two Months of her Proportion of Bread in Puncheons agreeable to your Request

We are &c Sir

John Marsh. G.P. Towry. C. Cunningham. Fras. Stephens Ajs Moody John Harrison

Capt. G. E. Hamond
Lively Spithead

Navy Office 24th April 1805.

Sir

B.K. Book 10/6 £1 Month 31 August 1804

The Man named in the Margin having been discharged from the Beschermer to his Majesty's Ship Lively under your Command and the Allotment not being noted on the Muster Book of the latter Ship, we desire you will please to note it on your future Books that the Possibility of any overpayment by the omission may be avoided

We are &c

Wm Palmer. H Harmood H Legge

Captn. Hamond Lively.

Wm Horniman
Clerk

His Majestys Ship Madras
Malta 18th July 1815

Sir

The Surgeon of His Majestys Ship Madras under my Command having applied to me by Letter of this Days Date for a Survey on his Remains of Medicines

I have to Request you will be pleased to order a Survey thereon

I am &c

Wm Potter 1st Lieut

To Capt Hamond
HMS Lively

HMS Seahorse Malta
July 19th 1805

Sir

The Master of His Majestys Ship Seahorse under my Command having represented to me that there are Three Pipes of Wine on board the said which have leaked out a considerable quantity apparently by the weakness of the Casks & fermentation of the Wine. I have to request you will be pleased to order a Survey on the same

I am
Sir
Your very humble Servant

Rd Corbet

To
Captn Hamond
Lively

HMS Seahorse July 21st 1805

Sir

There having been landed from HMS Seahorse under my Command a quantity of defective Water Casks at this Cooperage, I have to request you will be pleased to grant an order for the Agent Victualler to receive them into Store that the necessary receipt may be given to the Purser for the Same

I am
Sir
your very hum Ser be

R Hobert

To G. E Hamond Esqr
Captain HMS Lively
and Senior Officer
Malta

Victualling Office Malta
22 July 1805

Sir

Having purchased a Cargo of Wheat at Public Auction for the use of this department and on discharging the same out of the Vessel into the Naval Ovens I find Six Salms & four Tomolos of the Wheat damaged by Water in her hold

I have to request you will be pleased to order a Survey to be held thereon in order to ascertain the quantity found unfit for His Majesty's Service

I am
&c
Pat Wilkie
Agent Vict'r

Captain Hamond
HMShip Lively
&c &c &c

HMSloop Jalouse Malta 24 July

Sir

Mr J Hunter Gunner of HMSloop under my Command has informed me that the time has elapsed for an Annual Survey on his Stores

I beg leave to request you will be pleased to cause the same to take place, and rest with respect

Sir
your obedient faithful Servant
Chris Strachey Captain

Captain Hamond
HMShip Lively
&c &c &c

Transport Office 25th July 1805

Sir

I beg leave to state to you that the Master of the Tartar Transport No 40 has reported her Mizen Mast to be rotten and unfit to proceed to sea with; and the Master of the Valiant Transport No 118 that her Main Topmast is sprung and totally unserviceable and that they are unable to procure Spars at this place to replace them requesting to be supplied therewith from HM Dock Yard

I am to request you will be pleased to direct that they may be supplied with the same according to the usual Custom of the Service

The above named Transports belong to the Expedition—

Captain Hamond
HMShip Lively
&c &c &c

I am
&c &c
Philip Lamb R.A.T

Transport Office Malta 26 July 1805

Crown No 15
Dowson 74
Rosea 104
Emily 82
Ajax 133
Ann 110
Plounder 109
Wakefield 112
Valiant 118
Magnum Bonum 122
Elizabeth 123

Captain Watson Principal Agent for Transports afloat having represented to me by letter of this days date that there is a quantity of Provisions of different Species on board the Troop Transports under his orders (as named in the Margin) which is in a decayed and damaged state and unfit for Men to eat and requesting a Survey on the same

I am therefore to request you will be pleased to order a Survey thereon accordingly

I am
Sir
Your most obedient
Humble Servant
Philip Lamb R.A.T

Captain Hamond
His Majestys Ship Lively
& Senior Officer &c &c &c
Malta

HMSloop Merlin 26 July 1805

Sir

I enclose for your approval a letter I have received from Mr Mc Kenzie Surgeon of His Majestys Sloop under my Command requesting a Survey on Lieut Webb

I have the Honor to be
Sir
Your obt humble Servt
W Forbes

Captain Hamond
His Majestys Ship Lively
&c &c &c

Copy enclosed with the above

HMSloop Merlin 26 July 1805

Sir

I beg leave to represent to you that Lieutenant W. Webb of HMSloop Merlin under your Command has been for some Time afflicted with Strangury & a diseased state of the Urethra & is in my opinion unable to do his duty, I have therefore to request you will be pleased to order a Survey on his case as I think it is necessary that he should be sent to the Hospital in order to obtain a Cure

I am
Sir
Your obt & humble Servt
D Mc Kenzie

Captain Forbes
HMSloop Merlin

Naval Hospital Malta 27 July 1805

Sir

I beg leave to acquaint you that W Young Seaman belonging to HMShip Lively was brought here last night he having received a Wound in his Left Side

I request you will be pleased to order a Sick Ticket & Conduct List to be made out for him as he is Victualled in the Hospital this Day

I have the Honor to be
Sir
Your most obedient
Humble Servant
Geo: Saunders

G. E Hamond Esqr
Captain HMShip Lively
&c &c &c

His Majesty's Ship Seahorse
29 July 1805

Sir

The Purser of HMShip Seahorse under my Command having represented to me that there is a quantity of decayed Water Casks on board

I have to request that you will be pleased to order a Survey on them

I am
Sir
your most obt Servant
R Corbet

G. E. Hamond Esqr
Captain HMShip Sicily
and Senior Officer Malta

HMS Merlin Malta 30 July 1805

Sir

The undermentioned Stores having been represented to me as unserviceable I am to request you will be pleased to order a Survey on the Same

Viz. Main Shrouds 1 pr
Fore Do 1 "
Swifter Lanyards
Main Topsail 1 No

I am
Sir
your humble Servant
R Forbes

Captain Hamond
HMShip Sicily &c &c &c

Victualling Office Malta 30th July 1805

Sir

Mr Wm Pemberton Agent for the Spanish Polacre Ship Sante Judas Theadeo having this day landed into these Stores the remains of Provisions supplied her by the Purser of HMShip Excellent

I have to request you will be pleased to order a Survey to be held thereon to enable me to grant the Purser his necessary receipt agreeable to the state the said provisions may be found in

I have the Honor to be
Sir
your most obedient
humble Servant
Pat Wilkie
Agent Victualler

Captain Hamond
His Majesty's Ship Sicily
&c &c &c

H.M.Ship Madras 4th Augt 1805

Sir

I have to request you will be pleased to order the Nine Men lent from H.M.Ship under my Command to the Hirondelle to be returned to their proper Ship —

I have the Honor to be
Sir
Your most Obt Servant
C.M. Schomberg

Captain Hamond
H.M.Ship Lively

H.M.Cutter Hirondelle
Valette Harbour 5 Augst 1805

Sir

The Surgeon of H.M.Cutter Le Hirondelle under my Command having represented to me by Letter of this date that the Medicines supplied for the use of the Sick & wounded Seamen on board the said Cutter being partly expended and requesting a Fresh Supply for Six Months for 40 Men

I am to request you will be pleased to order a Survey on the remains of the said Medicines on board in order to have a supply to compleat for Six Months for her Complement

And am Sir
Your humble Servant
Jno Skynner

To G Hamond Esqr
&c &c

Ambuscade Valette
Harbour 11 Augst 1805

Sir

The Purser of H.M.Ship under my Command having represented that there is a quantity of Cocoa on board the said Ship Mouldy and unfit for Men to eat and requested I would apply for a Survey thereon

I have therefore to request you will be pleased to direct a Survey being held accordingly

I am Sir
Your most obedt humble Servt
W Durban

G. E. Hamond
Captain of H.M.Ship Lively
and Senior Officer
&c &c &c

Duplicate

Office for Sick & Wounded Seamen 13th May 1805

Sir

It appearing by an account which we have received from Mr M. Setaro of Lisbon that the undermentioned quantitys of Fruit & Vegetables were furnished to HMShip Lively, under your Command, during the periods stated against each Supply. We request you will let us know what necessity there was for such large Demands for the said Articles being made, We are

Sir,
your most humble Servants
W Gibbons
J Peide

Capt. G. E Hamond
Lively
Gibraltar

1805		Oranges & Lemons Boxes	Onions lbs	Pickled Cabbages	Pymkins	Amount
1 in 5	Janry	100	5000	200	40	£ 179" s 16" d 4
23 26	"	152	150	"	3	197" 9" 3
11 15	Feby	101	3800	200	"	186" 17" 11
9 18	March	120	5000	"	50	238" 14" 0
		473	13.950	400	93	£802" 17" 6

~~Transport Office~~
~~Malta~~

HMS Ambuscade
Malta 12th August 1805

Sir

~~Whereas~~ The Purser of His Majestys Ship under my Command having represented to me that there is on board the said Ship a quantity of Bread Rotten Mouldy and unfit for Men to eat and requesting I would apply for a Survey thereon

I have to request you will be pleased to Order a Survey on the Bread complained of accordingly

I have the Honor to be
Sir
your most Obedient
humble Servant
Wm Durban

To
G. E. Hamond Esqr
Captain of HMShip
Lively and Senior
Officer &c &c &c
Malta

His Majestys Naval Hospital
Malta August 12. 1805

Sir

I am desired by Mr Allen Surgeon of the Naval Hospital to acquaint you that the Fever prevailing amongst the Prisoners of War has not subsided and although no Contagious Symptoms appear at present yet from the confined situation and want of a free circulation of Air in the French Prison it is much to be feared that the Type of the Fever may degenerate more especially as their Food is of a putrescent and innutritious quality, they being neither allowed fresh Beef, Wine or Vegetables by the Contractors

I have no doubt but a removal to a more Airy & Capacious building would be highly conducive to their health, and indeed the only Prophylactic System (that under the Present existing contract for Victualling Prisoners of War) can be employed

To
G. E. Hamond Esqr
Captain of HMShip Active and Senior Officer &c &c &c

I have the Honor to be
Sir
your most Obedient
and very humble Servant
Geo: Saunders

Transport Office Malta
12 August 1805

Sir

I am honored with your letter of this date stating the representation of the Surgeon of the Naval Hospital at this place, relative to the state of the Prisoners of War. & particularly the confined situation and want of a free circulation of Air in the French Prison from which and the putrescent and innutritious quality of their food serious consequences from a prevailing Fever may be apprehended.

I beg leave to say in reply. that it was never my opinion the place allotted for the French Prisoners was a proper one; it became necessary to land them from the Madras, this place was appointed by His Excellency Sir Alexander Ball for their reception (there being no other to be had) and I was directed to send them there

With respect to their Rations they are Victualled ~~by the~~ agreeable to the Contract entered into by the Commissioners in England. The circumstances of their being allowed no Wine. Vegetables nor Fresh Meat. has been long since represented to the Commander in Chief, by him to the Lords of the Admiralty, and by me to the Transport Board but no change in the System has been yet directed and the only result is, that I am ordered to send them to England at all opportunities

That stinking Provisions are issued to the Prisoners, I firmly deny, also that the Prison is filthy and the Beds &c never aired

I also

I also beg leave to state that it is not in my power to provide any Building for Sick Prisoners, nor to furnish them with fresh Provisions Wine nor Vegetables, the management and direction of which being intirely under the Surgeon and Agent of the Naval Hospital; and further, that a Medical Gentleman under the employment of the Commissioners for Sick & Wounded, ought to visit the Prison daily (which you will please to observe in the Book of Instructions I send herewith for your better information) which has never been done, as no Person has yet been appointed or directed so to do by the said board; I have also sent Eight Letters relative to Prisoners of War for your perusal, by which you will learn what has formerly been done on this Subject, and request you will be pleased to return them, with the Book at your leisure

I am
Sir
your most Obedient
humble Servant
Philip Lamb Agent
P.W.

Captain Hamond
H.M. Ship Lively
Senior Officer &c &c &c
Malta

His Majesty's Ship Juno
Valette Malta Augst 15th 1805

Sir

In obedience to your order of the 13 Inst. directing us to proceed as soon as possible to the French Prison, taking with us our respective Surgeons to examine into the state of it, the Prisoners and their grievances, also the Provisions issued to them and the state of their bedding and to examine the

Agent

Agent and Contractor relative to their respective duties and to endeavour to find with whom the abuses (if any) lay

We proceeded this morning to the said Prison and after a very minute examination of its present state, we are of opinion that proper attention has not been paid to keeping the Prison clean, particularly the Lower Ward and as the Agent is directed by his Instructions to visit the Prison every morning (which on enquiry we found had not been complied with) We think it proper to make known to you his neglect of this very essential + part of his duty

On questioned Mr Goodchild Agent for the Contractor, we found him ignorant of that part of the Contract, which enjoins the removal of the dirt and filth from the Prison at the Contractors expence. It appears to us extraordinary that Captain Lamb should not have enforced the fulfillment of this part of the Contract; but in general he seems to have left the internal regulation of the Prison to the Turnkey

The Space allotted for the Prisoners appears to be too confined, and we think it absolutely necessary to prevent disease that one hundred and sixty or two hundred of them should be removed to some other place of confinement

On enquiring of the Prisoners if they had any grievances to state, we found that they were in general satisfied with their treatment, but expressed a wish that the Government would order them a change of diet as during the long period of their confinement no fresh Meat or Vegetables had been issued - that finding their health suffered from the constant use of Salt Beef in this Climate, they had not for the last six Months taken up their Rations, but accepted from the Clerk of Mr Goodchild Five farthing currency in lieu of each Ration - They also stated that altho' they were enjoined by an Article of the Printed regulations to preserve cleanliness amongst themselves and shave once a Week, they were unable to comply with it for want of Soap or money to purchase it with

It was stated to us that Two hundred and eight Prisoners had been without Paillasses for the last twelve months on enquiring of Captain Lamb the reason of it, we were told that the Prisoners being destitute of Clothing had cut them up for Shirts - that in order to compensate the contractor for the loss so incurred, he had agreeable to his Instructions from the Transport Board ordered One third of their Rations to be stopt for Seventy eight Days, which was considered equivalent in value to the Paillasses so made use of

We think Captain Lamb should have directed the Contractors Agent to furnish others as soon as he had

been

been indemnified for those made use of by the Prisoners, as we conceive it never was the intention of Government that the Prisoners should remain without bedding

With respect to the quality of Provisions the Samples produced to us were good of their kind and agreeable to Contract

On the whole we are of opinion that neither the Agent of Government or the Contractor's have been sufficiently attentive to the duties of their respective situations

To G. E Hammond Esqr
Captain HMship Lively
&c &c &c

We have the Honor to be
Sir
Your most Obedient
Humble Servant
H Richardson
J H Durban

Macca 14th Augt 1805

Gentlemen

In consequence of the Survey held this Day by you, on the Provisions &c which I issue to the Prisoners of War, and enquiries made into certain Grievances which were complained of. I take the liberty to lay before you respectfully my Ideas on the Subject, in doing which I trust you will excuse me, and be assured that in no respect do I wish to intrude an opinion, but where I conceive I am in duty bound to do it, and should any expression in my note lead you for a moment to think so, I trust this assurance will do it away —

I learn that respecting the department of which I have charge, that Complaints have been made by the Prisoners that their Provisions are, and have been so bad that they could not eat them, in consequence of which they had been for some Time past obliged to dispose of them at 2½ ℔ Ration, that is the Meat; that they have been obliged to pay for the Paillasses which they had destroyed, by a deduction of ⅓ of their Rations for 28 Days

And that some Medical Gentleman had complained that the Prison Dirt was not regularly removed in consequence of which the Prisoners would become liable to Infection —

To each several Complaints I will offer a few Words — respecting the ~~badness~~ Badness of the Provisions I can assure you that it is intirely unfounded, not that I mean to say I never had a Barrel of Beef spoiled but I will assert that never any unfit Provisions have

been

been issued from the Stores to the Prisoners with my knowledge, in fact the Contract has so provided against the issue of bad Provisions that it is next to impossible for it to be done — Vide 4th Clause of the Contract - Now had any Provisions unfit to issue been sent on board or delivered to the Prisoners, there was immediate Redress to be had against the Contractor consequently they never could have been obliged to dispose of their Provisions on account of its being unfit to eat, or not equal to what the Contract allows - but supposing just to place it in a clear Point of View, that the Salted Meat was bad, why do they now pray for Permission to sell it? I believe you will acknowledge it to be as good as any issuing to His Majestys Ship; You have Gentlemen, altho' I am not obliged to do it, free Permission to examine the whole depot, in fact your examination would afford me much satisfaction - It was suggested by I think Captn Richardson that Costo in consequence of being the only Person that goes to the Prison might drive an hard Bargain with them as the Prisoners could have no other means of disposing of it -, I beg leave to inform you that during the Time the Prisoners were on board the Madras, they had always

the procuse of the Bomb Boats, and since they have been landed there has been a Canteen established in the Prison consequently they might have disposed of their Provisions in other Channels had they conceived it to be more advantageous, besides they have frequently liberty to go out. Had they complained they had been obliged to sell it on account of its being Salted Meat, it would have been true but then the Contract directs it - their Complaint of being obliged to sell it on account of its being bad, I trust will now appear to be altogether False —

Respecting their Paying for the Palliasses by 1/3 of their Provisions being deducted for 28 Days it is only necessary for me to inform you that Captain Lamb directed that Punishment to be inflicted that he gave me Certificates to that effect and that the Board in England has settled with Mr Webb for the amount, what they paid him I know not -

As to the Prison dirt not being regularly removed, I will candidly acknowledge that the removing of it at the Contractors expence did escape my Notice I only read to find all necessary to do it: however I see the Error and have given very strict directions on the Subject, tho' it afforded me much pleasure to find that notwithstanding my Omission yet there was no dirt collected waiting to be removed in fact altho'

altho' I gave no orders about it, yet I believe it has always been done by the people I employ I think you did not observe any that waiting to be taken away.

As doubts have been frequently entertained and I believe without grounds at whose option it is to be, the issuing of Fresh or Salted Meat I herewith enclose Extracts of two letters I have received from Mr Webb on the subject, also a Copy of a Letter he wrote to the Board and the reply received by the Extract of his Letter dated the 23rd Oct you will observe that the Board admitted that the Provisions is to be at the option of the Contractor

I herein subjoin a Memo of the substitution alluded to in Mr Webbs letter to Mr McLeay which I offered to Captn Lamb to continue in consideration of the Prisoners distress until I heard from Mr Webb without any increase altho' it cost more but Captain Lamb thought he was not authorised to make any alteration without the Boards concurrence

The present allowance to the Prisoners is 8 oz of Salted Beef pr Day - in lieu thereof, I offered to substitute, 2 days in the Week Fresh Meat giving 6 oz instead of 8 ~~and on the~~ 2 days in the Week Salted Pork giving 6 oz instead of 8 and three Days in the Week give 6 oz of Salted Beef instead of 8 and on the Fresh

Days

Days when Salted Beef was issued I proposed to allow to each Prisoner 2/3 of a Pint of good sound Wine, thus Gentleman you will see as far as relates to me. I have done all in my power to fulfill the Contract

Captains
Richardson & Durban

I have the Honor to be
Your most obedient Servt
Thos Goodchild

N B When Sir Alexr Ball once spoke to me on the Subject of giving fresh Meat I pointed out my Instruction but offered to advance every Week the Whole of the salted Meat ~~[illegible]~~ in order that it might be sold to the best advantage for the Prisoners, that I would now direct it to be done if you think it advisable

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Copy

Alex McLeay Esqr

76 Gower Street Bedford Square 2 January 1805

Sir

I beg to enclose for the information of the Honorable Commissioners of the Transport Board a Copy of a letter written by my agent at Malta to Captain Lamb which has unfortunately been a length of Time in its transmit. Be pleased to acquaint their Honors, that the substitution therein mentioned costs three farthings pr Man pr Day more than the stipulated ration and should their Honors be inclined to continue this substitution, I am willing to do so on being paid three farthings p Man pr Day in addition to the Contract price or I will furnish eight Ounces of Meat daily instead of 6 oz at a very small advance

I have the Honor to be
Sir &c &c &c
(Signed) W Webb

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Transport Office 22 Jany 1805

Sir

I have received and laid before the Board your letter of this Date relative to a substitution in lieu of the present Ration as stipulated by Contract, proposed by your Agent Mr Goodchild to Captain Lamb the Agent for Prisoners of War at Malta, and in return am directed to acquaint you that they cannot give any directions on the Subject, untill they hear from Captain Lamb relative thereto

Mr Webb
76 Gower Street

I am
Sir
Your most obt Servant
Alex McLeay

Mr Thos Goodchild

London 23 Octr 1804

Dear Sir

I have before your favour of the 31st August received via Trieste the 20 Inst and forwarded from thence the 24th Sepr, I thank you for your information, Capt Lamb has judged rightly of the Contract, pray inform him Captn Kempt, has ordered at Barbadoes, fresh Meat twice a Week, My Agent gave fresh Pork Once, on my representation to the Board, they have informed their Agent, that it is at my Option to issue what Species of Provisions I Please and shall get refunded the difference in Price. He also ordered my agent to find fuel & Cooks for the Surinam Prisoners removed to Europe. on my representing it to the Board they are going to refund me the Money, See the Clause, I am to issue Provisions

and

and Water only on board at my Expence

Take care you do no more they Captains are to find fuel Cooking &c &c they will be allowed a Half penny p^r Man p^r Day, I understand by the Board enter these observation in your Book of Instructions under the Head of removal of Provisions

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Mr Thos Goodchild

London 16 Gower St Bedford Square January 8. 1805

Dear Sir

Yours favors of the 12th 14th Sep^r & Second of 18 Sepr are now before me they only came to hand last Week with Copy of yours 23 Augt to Captain Lamb your Remissness in not forwarding me this Copy sooner has been the occasion of a great Injury to me a Letter from Lord Nelson to the Admiralty recommending Fresh Meat & Wine to be issued (dated in October) arrived in November the Transport Board did not approve of Fresh Meat and Wine, the sent me to know at what I would Supply fresh Meat, instead of Salt but did not accept of my offer Had I had your proposition before me and replyed accordingly I doubt not they would have closed with it, Immediately I got it wrote down to them and had their answer of which you have Copies herewith, it does not appear Captain Lamb has written to them on the Subject, I must however request you will urge him to it and it will probably be confirmed.

Transport Office Malta
17th August 1805

Sir

Mr William Smith Master of the Latona Transport No 83 having represented to me by Letter of this date, that there is on board the said Transport a Quantity of Butter and Cheese which was supplied for the use of Troops embarked, that appears to be in a very bad state and unfit for Men to eat, and desiring a Survey on the same

I am therefore to request you will be pleased to order a Survey thereon accordingly

I am
Sir
your most Obedient
humble Servant
Philip Lamb R. A. T.

Captain Hamond
His Majestys Ship Lively
Senior Officer
&c &c &c

H. M. Schooner Venture
August 1805

Sir

The Crew of His Majestys Schooner Venture under my Command being in much want of Cloathing and not having sufficient on board to supply their present Necessities and there being none in Store, I am to beg you will be pleased to order the Purser of His Majestys Ship under your Command to supply me as expressed below for the use of His Majestys said Schooner

I have the Honor to be
Sir
your humble Servant
Edwd Giles

To Captain Hamond
H M Ship Lively
&c &c &c

Guerrier Gibraltar Mole
17 May 1805

Sir

As the charge of a Convoy of Transports in the Bay of much importance to the State has been transferred to your Care I would recommend your placing your Ship in such a situation immediately without them as will best guard against any surprize or attack from Fire Vessels or other Force of the Enemy so very contiguous to it, and that you will row Guard relieving your Boat every Watch during the Night

I am
Sir
Your obedient Servant
John Knight

To
Graham E Hamond Esqr
Captain of H.M.Ship
(Lively)

H M Sloop Bittern
Malta Harbor
24 Aug 1805

Sir

There being on board H M Sloop Bittern under my Command Thirteen Water Casks much decayed and unfit for their proper use also the Provisions Specified on the other side hereof Mouldy Rotten and unfit for Men to eat

I have therefore to request you will be pleased to order a Survey to be held accordingly

I have the Honor to be
Sir
Your most Obt humb St
John Lewis

G. E. Hamond Esqr
Captain of His Majestys Ship
Lively

Wine 43 Gallons Sour
Oatmeal 2 Casks Mouldy
Pease — 1 Cask Do

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HMS Bittern Malta
24 August 1806

Sir

On Overhauling the Hold of His Majestys Sloop Bittern under my Command there was found a Cask of Brandy (No & Contents as mentioned in the Margin) Stove and totally Lost

No 137
Contt 41

I have therefore to request you will be pleased to order a Survey thereon that the Purser may not be the losee therein I have further to request you will also Order a Survey on Sunday Slops as they are much decayed and not fit to be issued to the Ships Company

G. E. Hamond Esqr
Captain of HMS Lively
and Senior Officer at
Malta

I have the Honor to be
Sir
Your most Obedient
humble Servant
Louis

Victualling Office Malta
5 September 1805

Sir

His Majestys hired Transports having landed a Number of defective Water Casks at this Cooperage

I have to request you will be pleased to order a Survey to be held thereon to ascertain their future utility

Graham Eden Hamond Esqr
Captain of HMShip
Lively

I have the Honor to be
Sir
Your most Obt humble Servt
Pat Wilkie

Duplicate

Office for Sick and Wounded Seamen 13th May 1805

Sir

It appearing by an Account which we have received from Mr Micheal Setaro of Lisbon that the undermentioned Quantities of Fruit and Vegetables were furnished to His Majestys Ship Lively under your Command during the periods stated against each Supply We request you will let us know what Necessity there was for such large demands for the said Articles being made, We are

Sir your most humble Servants

W Gibbons

J Perie

Captain G E Hamond

Lively Gibraltar

	Oranges Lemon	Onions No.	Cabbages No.	Pumpkins No.	Amount £ s d
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9 18 } Marh	120	5000		50	238 - 14 - 0
	473	13.950	400	93	£802 - 7 - 6

Sir

Malta Yard
6th September 1805

Green paint 10 lb

Two Boats belonging to His Excellency Sir Alexander Ball Baronet being now in repair and there being no Green Paint in Store to finish them, We request you will authorize us to purchase the Quantity expressed in the Margin

We have the Honor to be
Sir
Your most Obt & humble Serts
Nathl Taylor { Naval Storekeeper
S Stocker Master Shipwt
W Lawson Master Attendant

Graham E Hamond Esqr
Captain of HMS. Lively
& Senior Officer
at
Malta

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His Majestys Ship Seahorse
Valetta Harbour Sepr. 11. 1805

Sir

The Surgeon of His Majestys Ship Seahorse under my Command having represented to me that the state of health of Mr. George E. Sandell Master of the said Ship is such as to render him incapable of performing his duty and a fit object for the Hospital. I have to request you will be pleased to order a Survey on him accordingly to authorize me to discharge him to the Hospital

I am
Sir
Your very humble Servant
Robt Corbet

G. Hammond Esqr.
Captain of HMS Lively
and Senior Officer at Malta

HMship Lively Malta
21st September 1805

Gentn.

I have received your letter of this date and have directed Mr. Taylor to open the Store as you request and it is my desire that untill the said Store is opened in the presence of all the Officers of the Yard, that a trusty Centinel be placed over to observe that it is not privately Opened

I am
Gentlemen
Your Obedient Servant
G. E. H

To
The Master Shipwright
and Master Attendant
of His Majestys Dock Yard
Malta

Malta 21 August 1805

Sir

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of this date enclosing the Copy of a report made to you by Captains Richardson and Dunbar respecting the French Prison. As ^very^ little of it relates to me, I shall of course have little to offer and if those Gentlemen have left with you my letters to them it will almost be Needless for me to say anything on the subject. however has they complain of my Ignorance of that part of the Contract which enjoins the Removal of the Dirt and filth from the Prison at the Contractors Expence, I beg leave to inform you that altho' I did not immediately direct it to be done yet it has ever been so done by the people I employ in fact those Gentlemen found no dirt waiting to be removed —

As Captains Richardson and Dunbar made particular Enquiry of the Prisoners to whom they sold the Rations of Salted Beef, and requested of me in the Name of the Prisoners to allow my Clerk to buy it, sanctioning as the Surveying Captains such purchase to be made; I think they might have been more full in their report of the enquiries they made, for in the Vague manner in which it is represented, it could almost be construed into a breach of Contract by my having permitted him to do so, instead of delivering the provisions in kind - which I assure you has ever been my positive orders to do

The Opinion they have passed respecting my inattention to my duty, I cannot conceive from whence it arose the Contract has been fulfilled in every respect, and I cannot but feel that such report has been unmerited, I hope those Gentlemen have left with you my letter to them or a Copy thereof; if not I will do myself the Honor to forward to you a Copy

With due Respect

I am Sir

Your most Obedient Servt

Thos Goodchild

Graham E Hamond Esqr

&c &c &c

His Majestys Ship Madras
Valette Harbour 23 Sepr 1805

Sir

There being a Number of defective Water Casks belonging to His Majestys Ship Madras under my Command, the above Casks having been landed at the Victualling Office I have to request you will be pleased to order a Survey to be held thereon

I am
Sir
Your most obedient Servant
C. M. Schomberg

To
G. E. Hamond Esqr
Captain of HMShip
Lively and Senior Officer
at Malta

HMSloop Jalouse Malta
25 September 1805

Sir

The Crew of His Majestys Sloop under my Command being much in want of Clothing and as I am informed there are no Slops in Store of the undermentioned description, I request you will be pleased to cause an order for Purchasing the same

Frocks Duck —— One hundred in No
Shirts —— Two hundred — " — "
Trowsers Duck —— One hundred pair

I have the Honor to rest
Sir
Your obedient faithful Servant
Chris Strachey Captain

Graham E Hamond Esqr
Captain of
His Majestys Ship Lively
&c &c &c

Malta Yard
28 Sepr 1805

Sir

On board the Imperial Brig Hungary there are 125 Boats Oars which may be purchased at Two Shillings each, We request you will give us an Order for that purpose, there being none in Store, and the price demanded much less than we

have

have lately paid

To
Graham E. Hamond Esqr
Captain of HMS. Lively
and Senior Officer Malta

We have the Honor
to be Sir
your most Obedient and
humble Servants
Nathl. Taylor Naval Storek.
S. Stoker
W Lawson

Naval Hospital Malta
28 September 1805

Sir

Being directed by the Sick & Hurt board to make application to the Senior Officer for a Survey on the remains of Hospital Stores in my Charge at the end of every three Months, as well as to examine and Condemn such as may be found, unserviceable; I have to request you will be pleased to direct a Survey thereon to be held at this Hospital on the 30th instant. in order that the accounts may be made up to that time

Graham E Hamond Esqr
Captain of His Majestys
Ship Lively
&c &c &c

I am
Sir
your most Obedient
humble Servant
Matthew Welch Agent

Ambuscade Ilsett Harbor
29 September 1805

Sir

The Purser of HMShip under my Command having represented to me that there is a quantity of Bread on board the said Ship, full of Weevils and unfit for Men to eat

I have therefore to request you will be pleased to order a Survey thereon accordingly

G. E Hamond Esqr
Captain of HMShip Lively
and Senior Officer at
Malta &c &c &c

I am
Sir
your Obedient and
humble Servant
Wm Durban

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Naval Hospital Malta
30th September 1805

Sir

For the regulation of the Books of His Majestys Ship under your Command, I have to inform you that the following Men have been Discharged from this Hospital

G. Quinton, AB, DD.	17th Sept 1805	
Wm Young, 2d Gunr D	23 Do.	
	for a passage to his Ship	
J. Raycroft Lm DD	17 Septr 1805	

I am
Sir
your most Obedient
humble Servant
Matthew Welch Agent

G. E. Hamond Esqr
&c &c &c

His Majestys Ship Madras
Malta. 30 Septr 1805

Sir

The Surgeon of His Majestys Ship Madras under my Command having represented to me that the Necessaries supplied for the use of the Sick on board the said Ship were all expended and the time for which they were to serve elapsed the 28 September

I am to request you will order him a Supply for three Months from that time for the Complement of 344 Men

I am
Sir
your most Obedient Servant
C. M. Schomberg

To
Graham E. Hamond Esqr
Captain HMS Lively and
Senior Officer at Malta

Victualling Office, Malta
1st October. 1805

Sir

Mr Henry Season of Odessa having Shipped a quantity of Salt Provisions on board the Queen Merchant Ship, to my order on account of the Honorable Commissioners for Victualling His Majestys Navy, and the same being landed into these Stores

I have to request you will be pleased to order a Survey thereon to ascertain

ascertain whether they are good of their kind and fit for His Majestys Service

I have the Honor to be

Sir

your most Obt humble Servt

Pat Wilkie Agent Vict

To Graham E. Hamond Esqr Captain of HMShip Lively and Senior Officer at Malta

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His Majestys Brig Spider
Malta Harbor 8th Octr 1805

Sir

I have to request you will be pleased to give an Order for a Survey on two Bower Cables belonging to His Majestys Brig Spider under my Command

I have the Honor to remain

Sir

your most Obedient humble Servt

Harding Shaw

G. E. Hamond Esqr
Senior Officer

Morgiana at Malta
7 October 1805

Sir

The Purser of His Majestys Sloop Morgiana under my Command having represented to me that the provisions named in the Margin, have got Wet and damaged by the Ship Springing a Leak, and requesting me to apply for a Survey thereon I beg you will be pleased to order the same

Flour
Pease
Oatmeal
Cocoa
Sugar
Tobacco

And am

Sir

your most Obedient

humble Servant

R. Raynsford

Graham Edw Hammond Esqr Captain of His Majestys Frigate Lively and Senior Officer at Malta

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His Majesty's Ship Seahorse
Malta. October 13. 1805

Sir

The Ships Company of His Majesty's Ship Seahorse under my Command being very much in want of Shoes, and there being none in Store, I have to request you will be pleased to give directions to the Naval Storekeeper at this Port to purchase three hundred pair for the use of the Company of the said Ship

I am
Sir
Your very humble Servant
Robt Corbet

G. E. Hamond Esqr
Captain of HMS Lively
Senior Officer
&c &c &c

HM Schooner Reynard Malta
14 Octr 1805

Sir

I have the Honor to enclose you a letter from Mr Moore Mids of HM's under my Command, and have the Honor to acquaint you that he has served near two years as Midsn of the Renard, during which time he has always merited every recommendation it is in my Power to give him

I have the Honor to be
&c &c
Richd Spencer

To G. E. Hamond Esqr
&c &c &c
Valetta

HM Schooner Reynard Malta
14 Octr 1805

Having been informed there is a vacancy for a Master on board HM Brig Spider, and having served my time in the Merchant Service, and two years as Midshipman in this Vessel

I have taken the liberty to Solicit that you will be pleased to give me the appointment, I am the more Induced to request the situation, as I have permission from Lieut Spencer and the approbation of Lieut Shaw of the Spider

I am
Sir
with the greatest respect
Your most obedient
Humble Servant
Howard Moore (Mid
HMS Renard

To G. E. Hamond Esqr
Captain of HMS Lively
and Senior Officer of HM Ships & Vessels
Malta Harbour

Sir

Navy Office 27 April 1805

We have received your letter of the 24 inst and acquaint you we have caused the Allotment of Jno Lazenby (Dec^d) to be stopped Payment

We are
Sir
Your Affectionate Friends
H Duncan
H Harwood
H Legge

Captain Hammond
Lively
Spithead

Victualling Office 27 April 1805

Sir

We have received your letter of the 13th Ulto and in reply acquaint you, that we have caused the Quarterly Accounts which came enclosed, to be delivered into the proper Office

We are
Sir
Your most humble Servants

John Marsh G P Towry C Cunningham

Captain G. E. Hammond
Lively

Sir

La Valette 16 October 1805

It having been represented to me that the following Articles are required for the use of the Army Shipping which has been hired by my Orders and as they cannot immediately be procured here. I am to request you will have the goodness to give orders that they may be furnished from the Dock yard and delivered to Mr Burgmann the Deputy Commissary General

Viz^t
60 Water Hoses
50 Yds blue Bunting
50 " Red D^o
50 " White D^o
50 Lots

I have the Honor to be
Sir
Your most Obedient
humble Servant

J H Craig K B
General

Hammond Esqr
Commanding HM Ships & Vessels
&c &c &c
Valette Harbour

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Naval Arsenal
October 17th 1805

Sir

I beg leave to inform you that I have Surveyed the Hammock Cloths of His Majestys Ship Merlin, and find them unfit for their Original uses

I have the Honor to be
Sir
your most Obedient
Humble Servant
W Lawson

To
G. E. Hamond Esqr
Captain of Hm Ship
Lively, and Senior
Officer at Malta

Admiralty Office 13th June 1805

Sir

I have received and laid before my Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty your letter of the 30th Ulto transmitting a statement of the Enemys Force at Cadiz, And I have their Lordships Commands to acquaint you that they approve of your Proceedings I am
Sir
your most humble Servant
Wm Marsden

Captain Hamond
Lively
Gibraltar

Ambuscade Valetta Harbr
1st November 1805

Sir

The Purser of HMShip Ambuscade under my Command having represented to me that there is a quantity of Wine on board the said ship Sour and unfit for Men to drink

I have therefore to request you will be pleased to direct a Survey to be held thereon
I am
Sir
your humble Servt &c
W Durban

G. E. Hamond
&c &c &c

HMship Queen at the Back of the Rock of Gibraltar 21st Aug 1805

Sir

Altho' there has been an Action between Sir Robert Calder's Squadron and the returning Combined Fleet from the West Indies, in which the latter has lost two Ships certain, they have however rallied; Lord Nelson, we suppose having passed to the Northward of them and yesterday Admiral Collingwood informs me that off Cadiz the Enemy appeared with 26 Ships most of the Line, he eluded them and they are, as is supposed, gone into, or are off Cadiz,

I apprize you of these movements, that you may take precautionary steps, and inform the detached Ships and Genl Sir James Craig, should the Enemys intention be to proceed upwards, in that event I trust we shall soon assemble a Force to follow,

I have only two Days commanded this Squadron, Sir Rd Bickerton's Indisposition having obliged him to resign, should they appear here, you may expect some farther information from,

Sir

Your most Obedt Servant

To
Graham Eden Hamond Esqr
Captain H.M. Ship Lively
at Malta

Thirty one Sail of the enemys Fleet were seen from the Niger S.H

The above letter was given me open by Admiral Knight, and his Signature must have been omitted, from his haste to dispatch the Niger

Jno Hiley &c

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Gibraltar 2 September 1805

Sir

Since my letter of the 21st ult. informing you of the Enemy, a British Squadron under Sir Robert Calder, Lord Northesk and Admiral Louis arrived before Cadiz on the 30th ult where I left them two days since, holding the enemy completely in Check with all their Troops on board and but a short supply of Provisions &c., their Number is about 35 of the Line; necessity may force them to move, but certainly not inclination to meet 26 well appointed Ships of which 7 are three Deckers.

The Halcyon is in great want of 18 Pound Shot send some by the first opportunity

I am

Sir

Your most obedient Servt

I dont particularly want Chiddars

John Knight

Graham E. Hammond Esq.
Captain of His Ship Lively
and Senior Officer &c.
Malta

Navy Office 12 Sepr 1805

Sir

We have received your Letter of the 15th June last and acquaint you We have caused the Allotment of Alex.r Carr (Disch.d) to be stopped Payment

We are

Sir

Captain Hammond
Lively
Gibraltar

Your affectionate Friends
H. Harwood
Wm Rule
J Gambier

Navy Office 12th Sept 1805

Sir

We have received your Letter of the 21st July last, requesting the R place against the names of the Men named in the Margin may be removed from the Books of the Lively. And acquaint you that they appear Open on the last Book of the Lively ending the 31st March 1805.

Mr T. Scott
Chris Gutz
Wm Ross
Boy

We are
Sir
your affectionate friends
H Duncan
J Henslow
Wm Rule

Captt Hamond
Lively
Vallette Harbour
Malta

Victualling Office 4th October 1805

Sir

We have received your Letter of the 9th July last, and in reply acquaint you that we have caused the Quarterly Accounts, which came enclosed, to be delivered into the proper Office

We are
Sir
your most humble Servants
John Marsh. W. Boscawen. W. Budge

Captain G. E. Hamond
Lively, Plymouth

Navy Office 16th September 1805

Sir

I am directed by the Commissioners of His Majestys Navy to acknowledge the Receipt of your Letter of the 9th July, with the List & Triplicates of Allottment Tickets and Muster Book therein mentioned.

I am
Sir
Your most obedient Servant
Geo Smith

Captain Hamond
Lively
Gibraltar

Malta Yard 24 July. 1805

Sir

I beg leave to acquaint you there is a great quantity of Iron Work wanted to repair the Madras in addition to the Pumps, and Sundry Jobs for the other Ships in Port also a Frame for an Awning for Sir Alexr Balls Boat which he much Wants, As we have only One English & three Maltese Smiths belonging to the Yard it will be a great acquisition in expediting the Work if two or four Smiths can be spared from the Squadron there being two Spare fires. Otherways the Smith work will be behind in fitting the Madras &c

To
Graham. E Hamond Esqr
Lively

I have the Honor to be
Sir
Yr most Obedient humble Servant
S. Hocker, Master Shipwr

HMS Madras. Malta 3d August. 1815

Sir

The Seamen & Marines belonging to His Majestys Ship under my Command being in extreme want of the Slops specified in the Margin none of which are in Store, I have to beg the Purser may be supplied with these Articles from the Lively, or that you will please to order the Storekeeper to Purchase them

Shirts; 500
Frocks; 500
Trowsers; 200

I have the Honor to be
Sir
Your most Obedient Servt
C. M. Scomberg

Captain Hamond
HM Ship
Lively

Malta Yard 17th August 1805

Sir

I beg leave to enclose you a copy of an Order by Captain Schomberg dated the 9th Instant when he was not Senior Officer, and received the day following after the arrival of H. M. S. Lively, which I have acted upon in order that His Majesty's Service might suffer no inconvenience from delay, by advertising to receive Tenders for the Articles of Slop Clothing therein expressed on Tuesday next.

As it would be very unwarrantable in me to disburse so large a sum as 300£ upon such authority, and inconsistent with my instructions from the Navy Board to receive any Order but from the Senior Officer I have to request you will furnish me with one in confirmation of Captain Schomberg's should the same meet with your approbation

To
Captain Hamond
H.M.S. Lively
&c &c &c

I have the Honor to be
Sir
Your most obedient
and humble Servant
Nathaniel Taylor
Naval Storekeeper

A Copy

By Charles M Schomberg Esq.
Captain of H.M. Ship Madras &c

The Seamen & Marines belonging to His Majesty's Ship under my Command being in extreme want of

Shirts ——— Five hundred in No
Frocks ——— Five hundred or Cotton for Do
Trowsers ——— Two hundred and fifty or Do

and which Articles of Slop Clothing are not in Store you are hereby directed to Purchase the same adhering as near as possible to the qualities and Prices established by Government &c

To
The Respective
Officers of H M Dock Yard
Malta

Given under my hand on board
H.M.S. Madras, Malta 9th August 1805

A true Copy
Nathaniel Taylor
Naval Storekeeper

Sir

Malta Yard 3d September 1805

I beg leave to acquaint you that agreable to your Order of this date, I have supplied Captn Smith of the United States Brig Syren with an anchor of 15 Cwt and a Cable of 12 Inches and shall take the necessary Security for the same.

I have the Honor to be
Sir
your most Obt Servant
Nathaniel Taylor
Naval Storekeeper

Graham E. Hamond Esqr
Captain of H. M. S. Lively
and Senior Officer at
Malta

Sir

Malta Yard. 5 September 1805

We beg leave to enclose you Commissioner Otways order to Survey the Stores in HM Magazines at this place, but from the Multiplicity of business we had in hand it was not compleated till the last of May, we then applied to Mr Taylor the Storekeeper, to allow one of his Clerks to furnish us with the issues & receipts during the Time we were taking the Survey, he refused our request saying he had nothing to do with it and desired Mr Forbes his first Clerk not to attend to our applications; being deprived of the necessary assistance from Mr Taylor, we were prevented ascertaining the remains of Stores then in his charge. In this case it will be absolutely necessary, (to be correct) to go over it again, and as the present moment is very favorable, not having much to do in the Yard and few Stores remaining

We Have to request you will be pleased to give an order to Survey the remains of Stores, in order that they may be sent home with the Quarterly accounts and that the necessary assistance may be given us by Mr Taylor to facilitate the same

We have the Honor to be
Sir
your most obedient
humble Servants
J. Stocker. Master Shipwright
W Lawson Master Attend

To
G. E. Hamond Esqr
Captain
HMS. Lively

(Copy)

By Wm. Ayr Otway Esqr.
Commissioner of His
Majesty's Navy

In conformity to the Report made on the 23d Article of the proposals of the Commissioners of enquiry and directed to be carried into execution by His Majesty's order in Council bearing date the 21st May 1801 you are hereby required and directed to take a strict and careful Survey on the remains of Stores in His Majesty's Magazines here, comparing the same with the Storekeepers quarterly balance of Stores at the end of the Month, and report to me your proceeding thereon agreeable to the annexed form For which this shall be your Order.

To
The Respective Officers
Malta Yard

Given under my hand in
Malta yard this 13 December 1804
(Signed) Wm. Ayr Otway

+ Form annexed

+ Report of Survey on Remains of Stores in His Majesty's Naval Arsenal at Malta the 31st December 1804 taken by order of Commissioner Otway dated the 13 Instant

Species of Stores	Actual Remains	Remains agreeable to No 6	Surplus	Deficiency	Cause of Surplus or deficiency if any

Malta Yard 27th September 1805

Sir

I beg leave to enclose for your information a Copy of the Bill of Lading for Naval Stores Shipped at Fiume on board the Imperial Brig Hungary and having consulted with the Master Attendant we have commenced unloading her. The Hemp he informs me appears to be of a very good quality.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most Obedient
and humble Servant
Nathaniel Taylor

To
Graham E Hamond Esquire
Captain of H. M. S. Sicily,
and Senior Officer
at
Malta.

Fiume 6th September 1805

Laden in good order and well conditioned by Mr A. L. Adamich on board the Imperial Brig Hungaria Saverio Luzilich Master, by order of Mr John Leard and to be delivered to Nathaniel Taylor Esqr Naval Storekeeper at Malta, the following Stores

Δ No 1 @ 244 Hemp	244 Bales Weighing	lbs 71395 Venetian
Canvas No 2	4612 yards in 123 Pieces	
Deals Ordinary	130 in No of 1½ and 13 feet Long	
Spars Small for Topgt Studdgsl Booms &c 69 in No		

Used for Dunnage

Mats	Thirty in No
Nails	Five — do

All which is to be delivered in like good order and well conditioned at the aforesaid Port of Malta Mr Taylor paying freight for the same the Sum of 1200 Spanish Dollars, with Five pr Cent primage for the Master and ⅔ of Port charges, the said Vessel to be delivered in 10 Working Days after Pratique, and if a longer time is required to be allowed fifteen Dollars per day demurrage, In Witness thereof the said Master has signed three Bills of Lading of this date

(Signed) Capt Saveiro Luzilich

Malta Yard
12 October 1805

Sir

I beg to represent to you that with the hands I have at work it will take thirty days to complete the Morgiana

I have therefore to request if any can be spared from the Men of War or Transports they may be sent, or be pleased to give an order to hire twelve extra Maltese Caulkers

I have the Honor to be
Sir
your most obedient
humble Servant
S. Hocker Master Shipt

To
Graham E Hamond Esqr
Captain HMS Lively
&c &c &c

PS Wanted wish to know your pleasure respecting the people working to morrow

Harbor of Valette August 12. 1805

Sir

We the undersigned Lieutenants of His Majestys Ships Ambuscade and Madras with the concurrence of our respective Captains, have respectfully to request you will be pleased to sanction our exchanging Ships

"Approved"
W Durban
C M Schomberg

We have the Honor to be Sir
your very obedient humble Servants

Graham Hamond Esqr &c &c &c

Wm Stewart Ambuscade
Chas Royer Madras

His M Ship Ambuscade, August 12th 1805–

Sir

Having for these nine years past been afflicted with the most lamentable of humane maladies for which I have (as you will perceive by the inclosed letters) gone once home to England on leave from this Country for the purpose of undergoing a Surgical operation, and finding myself at present unequal to the discharge of an active duty

I have most respectfully to request you will be pleased to sanction my exchanging Ships with Lieutenant Charles Royer of His Majestys Ship Madras We both have having obtained the sanction of our respective Captains

I have the Honor to be Sir, your obedient humble Servant

Graham Hamond Esqr

W. Stewart

Admiralty Office 11th October 1805

Sir

I have the Commands of the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty to send to you herewith a Form of the Log Book which is intended in future to be kept in all Kings Ships and to signify their direction to you to cause the Log Book of the — under your Command to be kept according to the said Form observing that the Calendar or Civil day is to be made use of begining at Midnight— It is their Lordships further directions that in future you send a Log Book instead of a Journal to this Office and to the Navy Board as directed by the General Printed Instructions— you will observe there will be no necessity for making any alteration in the manner of marking the Log Board but when it is copied into the Book the part begining at Midnight is to stand first in the Page

It is necessary to remark to you, that the Private Night Signal for each day of the Month is to continue in force until day light of the following Day

I am
Sir Your very humble Servant
John Barrow

The Form of Log on the other side

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2						AM
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Course	Distance	Latitude	Longitude in	Bearings and Distance

1						PM
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12						This Days of Log enclosed with the Letter on the other side

His M Ship Excellent Naples Bay
25th November 1805

Sir

His Excellency Sir James Craig has been pleased to acquaint me that you have communicated to him your letter from Lord Nelson of the 15 Ult.mo I have no hesitation in informing you from the representation he has made, that the expedition is by no means over, but that the Services of all the Transports as well as the Frigates under your Orders should be continued as before and kept in constant readiness to give protection or enable the Army to move from hence to any other service, which a change in the situation of Affairs may require

The General has also requested a Frigate may be ready in a Weeks time to proceed with dispatches of much importance to Lord Nelson to be forwarded by His Lordship to His Majestys Ministers — Mr Ellects dispatches will also be ready by that time — I have replied that I would mention the circumstance to you and had no doubt an efficient Vessel would be ready at the period he was pleased to name. I will also acquaint Mr Elleot that his despatches may be ready at the same time

Most of the Transports which brought the Russian Army are gone to the Bay of Baja which is supposed to be a very safe anchorage, and some of the Russian Men of War are to go and remain for their protection. I should recommend you to order such as cannot be got into the

Mole

Mole at Castelle a Mare to proceed to that place as I am given to understand the Anchorage outside is not better than this, which certainly is not proper for small Ships at this season of the Year but should the Mole at Castelle a Mare contain the Whole it will be very advisable to keep the whole of the Transports for the British Troops together

I am
Sir
Your most Obedient
humble Servant
H Hotham

To
Captain Hamond
HMShip Lively
&c &c &c

Castelle a Mare 16th January

Dear Sir

In the arrangments which I had made by Sir James Craigs Orders for the Embarkation of our Troops, I had fixed the Mary Ann and the Mariner as the Two principal Transports on board of which the 20th L Dragoons were to embark; but Captain Cochett has informed me to day that as He is on board the latter Ship, & occupies the whole of the Cabin, no Officer can be received there. — It is obvious that we cannot send Men on board Transports without Officers; it is equally obvious how desirable it would be to embark the few valuable Dragoon Horses we possess, in the Stout English Ships under these circumstances, I feel myself under the unpleasant necessity of troubling you, and requesting to know if, because an Agent is on board, no part of a Transports Cabin is to be allotted for Officers? — We have heretofore met with no difficulty on this Head; Captain Watson and the other Agents have uniformly received as Many Officers in their own Transports, as would have been the proportion even if no Agent had been on board —

Your very faithful Servant

H Bunbury
Dy Quarter Master General

Graham Hamond Esqr
Captain HMS. Lively

H. P. M. Ship Ratoizan at Sea
Off Syracuse, 8th Nov. N.S. 1805

Sir

I have this moment had the Honour to receive your letter containing the information of your having sailed from Malta - and am extremely sorry that the strong Northerly winds, have hitherto prevented our junction - On the supposition that you had been obliged to put back to Malta it was my intention to proceed with the Convoy in sight of that Place - which I shall now do if I should not have the pleasure of meeting you sooner - if the N. E Winds continue to hold I think it will be preferable to go round by the Wend of Sicily - as the passage by the Faro of Messina must be precarious with so great a Number of Ships

To
Graham E. Hamond Esqr
Commander of H. B. M. Ship
Lively & of the Expedition &ca
at Malta

I have the Honor to be
Sir
Your most Obedient
humble Servant
A. Greig

Sir

In case of our wishing to speak with each other it would be necessary to establish some sort of a Signal - and in that case I shall hoist a weft at the Main Topmast head - then you do the same I shall consider that you wish to speak with me. I have the Honor to be

On board H. I. M. Ship
Ratoizan Novr 11th 1805

Sir
Your most Obedient
humble Servant
A. Greig

Admiralty Office 2d July 1805

Sir

It appearing by Captain Richsell's Letter of the 27th Ulto that he has received two Landsmen to serve in the room of William Jenkins, on board the Lively; I am commanded by my Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty to signify their directions to you to order him to be discharged, with a Certificate, stating by whose order and for what reason it was done.

The Senior Officer of H.M. Ships & Vessels in the Mediterranean

I am Sir Your most Obedient humble Servant
John Barrow

A Copy

H.M. Gun Brig Insolent
Malta 11 Feby 1806

I beg leave to inform you that during the time H.M. Gun Brig under my Command was on Shore at Venice I observed three Frigates completely Rigged, and Two Brigs, the whole apparently ready for Sea laying at Malamocco

I learnt from the Pilots from Venice that the French had on the 18th of January possessed themselves of that Town and environs without firing a Musquet, and that Prince Eugeine was hourly expected to take the command of the French Troops

C. M. Schomberg Esqr
Capt of H.M. Ship Madras

I have the Honor to be
&c &c &c
(Signed) Jno R. Morris

A true Copy
C. M. Schomberg

HMS Madras.
Malta 11 Feby 1806

Sir

I herewith enclose for your information a Copy of a letter received from Lieut Morris of HM Gun Brig Insolent giving an account of Three Venetian Frigates & two Brigs being apparently ready for Sea and now in the hands of the Enemy at the Malamocco

I have ordered the Insolent to proceed on, to the Commander in Chief with the said information as also with any despatches which His Excellency Sir Alexr Ball Bart and Lieut Genl Villetes, may have to forward –

To
The Senior Officer
of HMs & Vessels
at Messina

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most obedient
and very humble Servant
C M Schomberg

His Majesty's Schooner Venture
Malta Feby 25th 1806

Sir

There being a Cask of Oatmeal on board His Majesty's Schooner Venture under my Command which is Rotten and unfit for Men to eat

I am to request you will be pleased to Order a Survey to be had accordingly

To
G. E. Hammond Esqr
Captain of HMShip
Lively

I am
Sir
Your most Ob^t hum^ble Servant
Edwd Giles

Naval Arsenal
Malta 21st March 1806

Sir

The Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty having appointed me Naval Officer at this place, I am to request you will be pleased to give directions for a Survey to be held on the Stores remaining in this Arsenal in order to enable me to take the same on charge accordingly

To
G. E. Hammond Esqr
Captain of HMS. Lively
and Senior Officer at
Malta

I am Sir
Your most Obedient
humble Servant
Wm West

Palermo, March 13th 1806

Sir

Sir Alexr Ball has informed me in several Letters, that he has placed on board the Lively Forty Thousand Pounds Sterling for my account, I am to request you will be pleased to deliver the same to Mr Burgman, also upon my account—

I have the Honor to be
Sir
your most Obt humble
Servant
H Elliot

Captain Hamond
Commanding HMS.
Lively

Navy Office 24th Octr 1805

Sir

I am directed by the Commissioners of His Majestys Navy to acknowledge the Receipt of your letter of the 14th Augst last with the List and Triplicates of Allotment, Ticket, and Muster Book therein mentioned—

I am Sir
your most Obt Servant
Geo. Smith

Captain Hamond
Lively,
Gibraltar

Dear Sir

I have directed that the Eighty Casks of Public Specie may be immediately received from the Custom House and delivered into charge of the Officer you may have appointed to receive them (addressing a line with the Particulars of the Numbers &c to the Commanding Officer on board)

I have likewise sent on board the Sundry for Sir James Craig Viz^t

N° 1 }
" 3 } Three Cases of Bottled Wine
" 4 }

and a Small Case (addressed to him) also the following four Packages of Official Papers &c for Commissary Genl Burgman at Messina Viz^t

N° 2 A. Black Leather Trunk
" 4 A. D^o D^o D^o
" 9 A. Deal Box
" 10 A. Hair Trunk all which four are also properly addressed to him

I remain Dear Sir

La Valette
Wednesday 19th March 1806

Yours always very truly
Alex^r Fernandes

La Valette 19th March 1806

Sir

Enclosed I beg leave to send you a Note of the Marks & Numbers of the Eighty Casks of Public Specie now going on board HMShip under your Command, addressed to Commissary General Burgman at Messina in Sicily. and you will much oblige me by sending me the usual receipt for the same in Duplicate /

I have the Honor to be
Sir
your most Obedient
Hum^ble Servant
Alex^r Fernandes
Dep^y Com

G. E. Hamond Esqr.
Command^g H.M. Ship
Sicily

74

Messina the 25th March 1806

Sir

I have the Honor to request you will be pleased to deliver to the Bearer of this Wm Petrie Esqr the Eighty Casks of Specie Shipped by Mr Fernandes, as also the Money Shipped by Sir Alexander Ball at Malta for His Excy Mr Elliot, which I am empowered to receive —

G. E. Hamond Esqr
Commandg H.M.S.
Lively

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most Obedient
humble Servant
Geo. Burgman
Commy Genl

Malta Yard 4th March 1806

Sir

I beg leave to acquaint you that there is in the Arsenal a quantity of Oak and Elm Timber purchased pr Order of Commissioner Middleton and to be sent home in the first Storeship or hired Transport and request you will give the necessary directions for its being received on board any Transport going to England

To
G. E. Hamond Esqr
Captain of H.M.S. Lively
& Senior Officer
at Malta

I have the Honor to be
Sir
Your most Obedient
and humble Servant
Nathd Taylor

Malta Yard 12 March 1806

Sir

We beg leave to enclose you a Copy of Antonio Cachia's estimate for building up the Dockyard Wall behind the Storehouses to prevent depredations which have frequently been committed also for making two Pits for Capsterns on the Shear Bastion, the Crabs formerly made use of being Rotten & Worn Out

To G. E. Hamond Esqr
&ca &ca &ca
Malta

We have the Honor to be
&c &c
Nath Taylor
J. Hocker
W. Lawson

I the undersigned Antonio Cachia having estimated the expence of building up the Dockyard Wall to the level of the highest part thereof, will undertake to complete the same for the Sum of Seventy eight Pounds Currency, and to make two Pits for Capsterns on the Sheer Bastion for the additional Sum of Fifteen pounds Currency

Malta 14 March 1806

Signed
Antonio Cachia

Transport-Office Malta 22^d Feb. 1806

Sir

I have the honour to enclose herewith for your information, Copies of Letters I have received from the Transport Board, and the Commander in Chief, relative to sending away Prisoners of War from this Place

Captain Hammond
H.M.S. Lively &c
&c &c &c Malta

I have the honour to be
&c^a &c^a &c^a
Philip Lamb Agent
P.W.

Copy — Transport-Office 26th March 1805

Sir

Having received the Direction of the Right Honourable the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty for keeping the number of Prisoners at Malta as low as possible and there being reason to believe, that the Spanish Government will agree to a Proposal we have made to them for a General Cartel of Exchange, we have requested of Vice Admiral Lord Nelson, to send such Spanish Prisoners as may be in your Custody, as soon as possible, to any of the Ports in Spain —

Upon the release of any such Prisoners, you will address a Letter to the British Sub-Agent for Prisoners of War at the Port to which the Cartel may be bound, inclosing a List of the Prisoners who may be embarked or, if there should be no Sub-Agent at such Port to the British Agent for Prisoners of War at Madrid, and in all Cases of the release or Exchange of Prisoners, you will attend strictly to the 29th Article of your Printed Instructions

Captain Philip Lamb
R.N. Malta

We are
&c &c Signed { Ambrose Serle
Robt Hamilton
C. Bouverie

Copy.

Queen off Carthagena 13 14th December 1805

Sir

I have received your letter of the 5th Ultmo addressed to the, late Commander in Chief, enclosing the State of the Prisoners of War at Malta

In order to reduce the Number of Prisoners in your charge, I am to desire that every Ship which sails from Malta for Gibraltar takes a number Proportionate to the size of the Vessel carrying them, part to be French and part Spanish, Proper Lists must be sent with them addressed to Captain Mainat the resident Agent there enclosed to Rear Admiral Knight ———

I have at the same time to acquaint you that the Captain of the Madras is directed to receive on board that Ship from 2 to 300 of the Prisoners of War in your charge in order that the remainder in the Prison may be less crowded

I am

Sir

Your most Obedient

humble Servant

Signed (Collingwood)

Captain Lamb

Resident Agent for Transports

Malta

Opinion, on HMS. Melpomene's detention of a Dane bound to Naples with Fish on Neapolitan Account, the place being in possession of the French ———

Copy

Case

For the opinion of the Kings Advocate at Malta

It is now ascertained that Naples is in possession of the French. You are therefore requested to give your opinion how far HM Cruizers are justified in detaining Neapolitan property & whether you think the Admiralty Court at this Island will proceed to the Adjudication of such property before it receives instructions from home or before there is some Public declaration on the Subject on the part of the Government ———

Opinion

Under the circumstances stated in the above, I am of opinion that HM Cruizers are clearly justified in detaining & sending in for adjudication Property belonging to persons resident at Naples if going thither, or to any other place in possession of the French Enemy — If going to England

English or Sicilian port - I should not advise the detention if going to a clearly neutral Port - I think the detention a matter of some doubt at present - but sufficiently justifiable to exempt the Captors from Payment of Costs and damages on that account, I am further of opinion that the Admiralty Court of this Island will not proceed immediately either to condemn or restore property detained as Neapolitan on that ground alone but will reserve its final decision according to the Circumstances

Supposing it should be claimed for an inhabitant of Naples, I think the Court would allow a certain time to shew whether the asserted proprietors adhered voluntarily to the Enemy or where kept under the enemy's dominion by force & uncontroulable necessity - In the latter case the proprietor would be entitled to restitution whenever he should withdraw from that dominion, and put himself under the protection of his lawful Sovereign and on such restitution I apprehend the Captor would have at least his expences and probably a Salvage in addition, but if after a certain lapse of time the proprietor should continue to live in Voluntary subjection to the Enemy his property would become liable to condemnation; and if the Court be not already authorized to Condemn such property it will in all probability shortly receive powers from England to that effect ——

Supposing that property documented as Neapolitan and going to a place in possession of the Enemy should be really English and be so claimed & proved the Court would immediately proceed to restore it on payment of the usual Salvage & expences — Lastly supposing it to be really Neutral or protected as such by any fair capitulation or Convention with the Enemy, it would probably be restored (unless the proprietor should continue to reside under the Enemy's dominion) on payment of the Captors expences only —

(Signed) J. Stoddart

Excellent Naples Bay
29 November 1805

Sir

As you have declined to proceed with the dispatches of their Excellencys Sir James Craig & Mr Elliot to my Lord Nelson yourself in His Majestys Ship under your Command, I think it will be for the good of the service that I should take upon myself the Command of all the Ships and Vessels lately under your Orders — I therefore request you will be pleased to send me the disposition of the Ships you have given Orders to, and a Copy of all unexecuted Orders and other papers which you may think necessary for my guidance

I shall acquaint General Sir James with the step I have taken and request His Excellency to communicate with me for the future

Capt Hammond
of His Ship
Lively &c

I am
Sir Your most Obedient
& humble Servant
F. Sotheron

Duplicate
Dear Sir

Excellent Palermo Feby 27. 1806 —

The Enterprise is just arrived and brings me Orders to proceed immediately to Gibraltar, it appears she was to relieve me on the service which I have been employed on for 13 Months in the Bay of Naples, I fancy the Admiral was not aware we should so soon leave it with the Court &c — I send you an extract of Lord Collingwoods order to me, which you are to consider as official and act according to your discretion, you will be the best judge whether you can be spared from the service you have so long and ably conducted —

Extract

" Should the Lively still be with the Expedition
" under Sir James Craig, you are to take her Captain under
" your orders and direct him to proceed in Company with
" the Excellent to Gibraltar Signed, Collingwood —
25 Jany 1806 F. Sotheron

The Intrepid being in Quarantine will prevent my having that communication with Captn Woodhouse that is necessary so soon as I could wish — neither will the dispatches of this Court & Mr Elliot be ready in less than 48 hours when I hope to Sail —

I am Dr Sir

Your most faithful & Obedt Servt

F. Sotheron

To
Captain Hamond
HMS. Lively, and
Senior Officer at
Messina —

The Admiral acknowledges the receipt of the letters by the Morgiana of the 7th of December and Capt Woodhouse says the Galouse just arrived at Gibraltar as he sailed from thence consequently His Lordships did not know General Sir James Craig had left Naples with his Army

F.S —

Sir — Queen off Carthagena Decr 5th 1805 —

I have received your Letter of the 2d of Novr to the late Commander in Chief, by which I find the Convoy from Malta was ready to Sail, I have yet heard nothing of them and their not arriving at Gibraltar in time to proceed with the Trade from thence which waited for them several days with strong Easterly Winds, has been a great disapointment to me.

I do not know what the Orders are you allude to in your letter as having received from Lord Nelson, and were to be executed when you were released from your present Service — not finding it amongst his Papers; but at present I would have you continue in the neighbourhood of the Army — going to Sea as their may be occasion, to scour the Coasts adjacent but always leaving a sufficient force for the protection of the Transport Ships where ever they may be, whose Commanders must be instructed that they are kept compleat in Water, and in every respect ready for the reception of the Troops — or any service they may be wanted on —

The Moselle by which you will receive this has my orders to return to me with whatever Dispatches His Excellency the Ambassador, Genl Sir J. Craig, Capt Sotheron, and Sir Alexr Ball, may have for me, or England, her

Commander

Commander is charged not to remain more than four & twenty hours at any point where those dispatches are to be received —

I beg you will transmit by her the state and Condition of the Ships &c — with you

Captain Hamond
Lively —

I am Sir
with great Regard
Your most obed^t. hum^le. Servant
Collingwood

Sir

Malta, July 27th 1805

Having it in Instruction from His Majesty's Secretary of State, that, in the Event of the Commander in Chief of the Russian Forces in these parts applying to me to furnish the Transports necessary for embarking a Corps of Russian Troops from the Ionian Islands to such Place as he shall wish, I should take the necessary steps for complying with such Application, and having actually received from the Russian Commander, a Requisition to the Purpose mentioned, I am to request that as Senior Officer of His Majesty's Navy, in this Port, you will have the Goodness to give such Directions as may be proper for immediately taking up and fitting the Number of Vessels fit for that Service, that, together with those now at your Disposal, may be equal to the Transporting of 8000 Men, at the Allowance of a Ton & a half p^r. Man — With respect to the Period for which those Vessels should be hired, I apprehend that if they are taken up for three Months Certain with a Power to keep them three Months more, if wanted, it will answer every purpose for which they can be required

— It may perhaps be proper to apprize you, Sir, that at the Time those Vessels will be called for we shall probably have occasion ourselves to move in a Corps of at least 5000 Men, for which I would request that the Vessels which brought us here should be kept

To
Captain Hamond
H.M.S. Lively
Commanding H.M. Ships in the Harbour of
Malta

I have the Honor to be
Sir
Your most Obedient
Humble Servant
J. H. Craig
Genl

Most secret

La Valette 29th July 1805

Sir

I have the honor to acquaint you that I have received a Letter from His Ex^y M. Tatischef Russian Ambassador at Naples dated the 19th inst an extract of which I enclose herewith, and as you have received a letter on the same Subject from His Ex^y Sir James Craig, I am to request you to inform me how far you can comply with it that I may be enabled to give an explicit answer to the demand, as well as to give the information to the General Commanding the Russian Troops at Corfu

I have the honor to be

Sir

Your most faithful & Obedient

Alex^dr Ball

Captain Hamond

&c &c &c

An Extract of a Letter from Mr Tatischef dated 19th July 1805 to Sir A. Ball, His Majesty's Civil Commissioner at Malta —

Le general Lacy dont la mission vous aura été deja communiquée par Mr Elliot ne peut pas encore determiner au juste la totalité des Batimens necessaires pour les Transport des Troupes Russes de Corfu en Italie; il se borne actuellement a demander un Nombre suffisant pour embarquer et transporter sans gene 7000 hommes d'infanterie avec les Equipages des Officiers et Soldats avec 60 Caissons de Munition de guerre 60 Caisson de Tentes 20 Grande Chariots et les harnois et autres pieces de d'attelage a ce train ainsi que les vivres necessaire non seulement pour le trajet par mer mais aussi pour la ~~s~~ subsistence de ce nombre de troupes apres le debarquement pendant l'espace de quatre semaines; de plus le general Lacy voudroit des Batimens de Transport pour embarque et Transporter sans gene 24 piece d'artillerie de Campagne leur Caissons et munitions de guerre et ceux des Tentes 4 Grande Chariots et les Harnois et autres pieces D'attelage pour 180 Chevaux, ainsi que pour embarque 350 Artilleurs avec les Equipages des Officiers et Soldats de meme que pour les vivre de ces Artilleurs sur le pied comme il est dit plus haut

a true Extract

Signed Alex^dr Ball

Hd Quarters La Valette
August 12. 1805

Sir

I find upon Inspection of the Ordnance Stores here, that there is not so much Six Pounder Ammunition as I think we shall want for the Land Service – and as I observe there are appropriated to the Navy, upwards of 5,000 Pounds of this Description of Ammunition, which I understand is very little made use of in your Service – I should therefore wish to take 2,400 Pounds of this which is allotted for the Navy, but am first anxious to obtain your Concurrence

I have the Honor to be
Sir
your most obedient
very humble servant
J H Craig
Genl

To
Capt Hamond
Comm of HM Ships
&c &c &c

La Valette 13th September 1805

Sir

Understanding that Mr Wilkie the Agent Victualler of His Majesty's Navy has upwards of Three hundred Wine Pipes in Store fit to be prepared for Water Casks, and also that forty Water Casks have been landed from HM Ship Madras, I have the honor to request you will be pleased to give an Order for their being turned over to Mr Burgman Deputy Commissary General (if they can be spared) for the use of the Transports which he is fitting up by my Orders for the reception of Troops and Horses

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most obedient
humble servant
J. H Craig
Genl

Captain Hamond
Commanding His Majesty's
Ships and Vessels
&c &c &c
Valette Harbour

4th

Malta 28 September 1805 —

Sir

Having received a requisition from General Lascy, commanding the Russian Troops, for the Transports, which His Majesty's Government has engaged to supply for the movement of these Troops, to proceed with as little delay as possible, to the place of their destination, I am to request that you will have the goodness to give the directions that may be necessary for that purpose, and that they may sail under such Convoy as you may judge proper, to the Islands of Corfu, Zante, and Cephalonia and there put themselves under the orders of Commodore Greig the Commander in Chief of the Russian Naval Force in these Seas —

As I presume from the state of the Force under your Command, that it will not be in your Power, to leave any Ship of War in the charge of the Transports after their arrival at the abovementioned Islands, I shall be extremely glad, if there is no Obstacle of which I am not aware, that the Ship that Convoys them may return immediately to this Port with such letters as Major General d'Anrep, the Russian Commander at Corfu may have for me —

The proportion of Transports wanted at Zante is for 1150 Men, that is about 1440 Tons, and at Cephalonia, the Number required is for 750 Men or 940 Tons, I request to call this circumstance to your attention that you may appoint such of the Vessels to proceed to those Islands, as you may judge proper, I imagine the whole will rendezvous at Corfu as soon as the small number of Troops at these places are embarked, unfortunately I understand there is but one Agent which under the circumstances of the case may give rise to difficulties —

It may be proper to direct the Transports going to Zante to report their arrival to

Major —

Major General Stelter commanding at that place and those going to Cephalonia to Lieut Colonel Kniesper ——

I have the honor to be
Sir
your most obedient
Humble servant
J. H. Craig

To
Capt Hammond
Commanding Royal Navy
Valette

Transport Office, Malta 10th Octr 1805

Sir

The Transport Vincenzo, marked **B** and Ben marked **E** having parted with the Convoy bound to Corfu, and returned to this Port, the former (by the Masters Report) in consequence of proving Leaky, and unable to proceed, and the latter from driving to Leeward out of sight of the Convoy, but with no other damage than springing her Fore Topmast, and is now ready for sea; I am to request you will be pleased to give me your directions concerning them ——

I have directed a Survey on the Vincenzo's Defects, and will acquaint you with the Report as soon as I receive it

I have the honour to be
Sir
Your most Obedient
humble servant
Philip Lamb, R.A.T

Captain Hammond
HMship Sivey
Senior Officer
&c &c &c
Malta

Copy

Malta, October 11: 1805

Sir

We whose names are hereunto subscribed, with our respective Carpenters, according to an Order received from Captain Watson, P. A. Transports, have been on board the Transport Venezo marked 13, and have taken a strict and careful Survey, and to the best of our Carpenters judgment and our own opinions, that the abovementioned Vessel is Old & decayed in her Bottom, and not Sea worthy

We remain

Sir

Your humble Servants

Captain Lamb

&c &c &c

Signed Joseph Clark Britannia

John Slater { John and Robert

John Kenny Sarta

Masters

H. M. S. Lively at Sea
22 April 1806

Sir

I beg to inform you that during your absence from the Ship Yesterday evening.

Mr Thomas Scott, Boatswain of H. M. Ship under your Command was so very Drunk, a practice which he has so often been guilty of, that I was under the necessity of confining him to his Cabin; I have therefore to request you will apply to the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty, for a Court-Martial to try him for the same —

I have the honor to be

Sir

Your Obedient Servant

(Signed) W Peake 1st Lieutenant

To

Graham E Hamond Esqr

Captain of H. M. S.

Lively

His Majestys Ship Lively at
Plymouth Sound May 12 1806

Sir

The Necessaries supplied for the use of the Sick of His Majestys Ship under your Command being all expended and the Time for which they were to serve being elaps'd, I have to request that you will be pleased to make Application for a fresh Supply for three Months, for the present Complement of 300 Men.

I have the Honor to remain

Sir

Your most humble servant

R. Dobson Surgeon

To
Graham Eden Hamond Esqr
Captain of H. M. Ship
Lively

H. M. S. Lively at Plymouth
Sound 12th May 1806 —

Sir

The Medicines supplied for the use of the Sick of His Majestys Ship under your Command being nearly all expended, and the Time for which they were to serve being elapsed, I have to request that you will be pleased to apply for a Survey on the Remains, in order that the Chest or Box may be recruited —

I have the Honor to remain

Sir

Your most humble servant

R. Dobson Surgeon

To
Graham Eden Hamond Esqr
Captain of H. M. Ship
Lively

31 Princes Street Dock
18th May 1806

Sir

I acquaint you that a Court Martial is to be held on Mr Thomas Scott, Boatswain of HMShip under your Command on the twentieth Instant and that I have summoned the respective Witnesses on the occasion and beg you will be pleased to order their attendance accordingly

I am

Sir

Your most Obedient

Captain G: E: Hamond

humble Servant

Robert Liddell

Deputy Judge Advocate

HMS. Lively Plymo Sound
19th May 1806

Gentn

The Marine named in the Margin having been discharged from His Majestys Service pr order of the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty, I have to request you will cause payment to be stopped on his Allotment dated the 1st October 1804

Davd Johnston

I am

Gentn

your humle Servant

G. E. H.

To
The Principal Officers
and Commissioners
&c &c &c

HMS Lively Plymo Sound 21st May 1806

Sir

Enclosed I send you a List of Men who have entered on board HMS Lively under my Command in the Mediterranean & beg the Lords Commissioners of the Admy will be pleased to order ~~that~~ the Clerk of the Cheque at this Port to pay them the Bounty according to their different Ratings

I have the honor to be

Sir

Your humble Servant

G. Eld

To
W. Marsden Esqr
&c &c &c

Sir

Chest Office Greenwich 2d May 1806

Herewith you will receive Bills for the Pension Money due to the Men named in the Margin at Christmas last also a Bill for Pension due to Robert Hind at Lady 1804; and I beg leave to acquaint you that no further sum will be paid to him unless upon examination at this Office, any Tuesday, he is found from the fracture of his left Leg a proper object to be continued on the Pension List

Chas Lins
Gregy Domett
Wm Simmons

I am

Sir

Your most Obedient

humble Servant

Lach. McLean

Captain Hammond
Lively

Sir

Navy Office 23d May 1806

We have received your letter of the 31st of March last with the Ticket mentioned also the Muster Book for February and March last, but as there are several Soldiers borne on the said Book, which you have omitted to send List of agreeably to directions from the Lords of the Admiralty of 2d of that Month, We desire you will transmit the List required aboard

Sir Your affectionate Friends

H. Duncan
Henslow
H Legge

Captn Hammond
Lively.

Navy Office 22^d May 1806

Sir

We have received your Letter of the 9th Instant with the List enclosed of Men on board the Lively who claim Wages for other Ships

And acquaint you that Tickets and Extracts for their Wages were sent to Plymouth last Evening.

We are Sir
Your affectionate Friends

Captain Hammond
Lively
Plym^o

H Duncan
J Henslow
H Legge

Sir

Navy Office 12th March 1806

I am directed by the Commissioners of His Majestys Navy to acknowledge the Receipt of your Letter of the 30th Sepr last with the Lists and Triplicates of Allotment for W. Kingston

I am Sir
Your most ob^t Ser^t

Captn Hammond
Lively
Mediterranean

R Nelson

Navy Office 31st May 1806

Sir

We have received your letter of the 27th inst and acquaint you, we have ordered the R^s against the Names of the Persons named in the Margin on the Books of the Lively under your Command to be removed agreeably to your request

Mr Scott
Chris^r Gutz
Wm Hatts
R^d Simmonds
Ja^s Sears

We are
Sir
Your affectionate Friends

Capt Hammond
Lively
Plymouth Sound

H Duncan
J Henslow
H Legge

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Graham E Hamond

"I" Letters sent